

Poultney Board of Selectmen
Meeting
Monday, June 25, 2018 – 6:30 pm
Poultney Town Hall

Agenda

- 1) Adoption of the Agenda
- 2) Approval of Minutes: 6/11/18
- 3) Public Comments and Concerns
- 4) Road Report
- 5) Town Manager's Report
 - Letters & Communications
 - Animal Control Complaints
 - VT Dept. of Fish and Wildlife private ROW to Tom Johnson
 - Ames Hollow Road
 - Floor -Young at Heart Senior Center
 - Fire Truck Purchase
- 6) Transact Any Other Lawful Business
- 7) Executive Session
- 8) Health Officer's Report
 - Resignation and Appointment of Health Officer
 - Daniels property update, Vermont Route 140
- 9) Board Orders
- 10) Adjourn

Meeting Minutes

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Jeff King, called the meeting to order. Selectmen present included: Jeff King, Frank Fressie, Terry Williams and George Miller. Others present included Paul A. Donaldson, Town Manager, Ron Kelly, Foreman, Neisja Crawford, Secretary / Bookkeeper.

Adoption of the Agenda: Terry Williams made a motion to adopt the agenda. George Miller seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: George Miller made a motion to approve the minutes of 6/11/18. Terry Williams seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Public Comments and Concerns:

Road Report:

Ron Kelley reported the following:

- Grading roads.
- Started roadside mowing.
- Put new bristles on the sweeper.
- Cleaned up brush from storm on the 18th.
- Working 4 days per week.
- Guardrail down on Granville Street.
 - Auto accident; cost approximately \$1,500 - \$2,000 to replace.
 - Dale Kerber made arrest for negligent driving.
 - Paul Donaldson asked for insurance.
- Pond Hill Rd, extensive ditching.
 - Cleaned and stone lined 2,500 ft.
 - Filling with 6" – 12" pieces of crushed slate.
 - Hauling in gravel.
 - No grant for this project.

Paul Donaldson: How is Matt Sears doing on the excavator?

Ron Kelley: Good, he's getting experience.

Paul Donaldson: Brain Debonis asked about the excavating work Tom Beatty did. Told him the Town will probably contract out highly skilled labor.

Jim Seamans will continue with roadside mowing this year. Brain Debonis expressed interest in bidding mowing next year.

Town Managers Report:

Paul Donaldson reported the following:

Letters & Communications:

- Animal Control Complaints.
 - Three dogs in East Poultney harassing passersby. Received verbal and written complaints.
 - Terry Williams sent the Provins a written warning (will give Paul Donaldson a copy).
- VT Dept. of Fish and Wildlife private ROW to Tom Johnson
 - Town road abuts slate land.

Terry Williams made a motion to grant the right of way to Tom Johnson. Frank Fressie seconded the motion. Motion carried.

- Ames Hollow Road.
 - Working with Neal Vreeland to discontinue the road. Questioning whether or not it will need to be surveyed.
 - Rickety old wooden bridge on Ames Hollow Rd. is a class 3 that functions as a class 4 road.
 - Will talk to Mr. Johnson about discontinuing.
 - Should have discontinuance completed this season.
- Floor -Young at Heart Senior Center.
 - Paul Donaldson meeting with NBF Architects Thursday June 28, 2018 to put together scope of work.
 - Todd Davis with Russell Construction said he would rather bid the job.
 - Will make sure a bilco door is included in the scope.
- Fire Truck Purchase.
 - Took possession June 12, 2018.
 - Working on grant paperwork.
 - Chief Kerber ordered a camera system for the truck.

George Miller: Are they using the truck?

Paul Donaldson: They're training on it.

Transact Any Other Lawful Business:

- George Miller requested American Legion flag appropriation.
 - Neisja Crawford: All appropriations are included in board orders.
- Green Mountain Alumni parade June 23, 2018.

- Aaron Kerber closed Main Street from the Methodist Church to College Street for 15 minutes.
- Jeff King visited Towns of Castleton and Fair Haven inquiring about Highway Department pay scale and benefits.
 - Paul Donaldson will order the VLCT book of recommended pay scales for \$75.00.
- Law Enforcement contract from the sheriff's department
 - Coverage cost \$65,000

Terry Williams made a motion for the Selectboard to sign the Law Enforcement contract with the sheriff's department. Frank Fressie seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Health Officer:

- Terry Williams resigned as Health Officer.
- Appoint Town Manager

George Miller made a motion to appoint Paul Donaldson Town Health Officer. Terry Williams seconded the motion. Motion carried.

- Daniels property update, Vermont Route 140
 - Bank started foreclosure, then vacated judgement order, discharged the mortgage and gave the property back to the Daniels.
 - Paul Donaldson and Terry Williams visited the property and took photos.
 - Neal Vreeland advised the Town will have to issue a health order and take to civil court.
 - Paul Donaldson suggests he make contact the Mr. Daniels and see what we can do to help clean up.

Executive Session: none

Board Orders:

George Miller made a motion to pay board orders. Frank Fressie seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Adjournment:

Frank Fressie made a motion to adjourn the meeting. George Miller seconded motion. Motion carried.